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Monday, Jan. 20, 1908.
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Hongkong, May 1, 1907.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

It is hereby notified that information has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that FIELD FIRING will be carried out on FRIDAY, the 24th inst., and FRIDAY, the 25th inst., from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M. in the direction of Beacon Hill, from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M.

SCOTCH CONCERT

(In aid of the Building Fund of Union Church) TO BE HELD IN THE THEATRE ROYAL.

SATURDAY, 25th JANUARY
(anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns), 1908, at 9 P.M.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel M. S. RICH and the Officers of the 2nd Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders the Band and others of the Regiment will assist, in addition to leading local amateurs.

Tickets... \$2.
Booking now open at Messrs S. MOU-TRIE & Co., Ltd.

SCOTTISH MASONIC QUADRILLE ASSOCIATION.

A REGAL DANCE will be held in the CITY HALL on FRIDAY, the 7th February. Dispensation to wear Regalia for English and Scotch Masons has been received from the District Grand Masters. No invitation to this Dance will be issued after the 5th day of February. A Launch will leave the Star Ferry Wharf at 4 A.M. to convey Kowloon residents back.

JOHN J. BLAKE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 22, 1908.

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A Small half-bred Lemon and White PEKINSE BIRD.

Finder will be rewarded on returning to Mrs. C. SMITH,

No. 3, Blue Buildings,
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Hongkong, January 2, 1908.

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A YOUNG ENGLISH LADY would be willing to take care of children or go as companion to a lady to return for passage to England.

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Hongkong, January 6, 1908.

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NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

WE have this day REMOVED our establishments to No. 14 Des Voeux Road Central (opposite to Messrs Wm. Powell, Ltd.)

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Hongkong, December 30, 1907.

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HAVING been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, we shall be pleased to give any information as to rates of passage, etc., in connection with above.

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Hongkong, August 7, 1907.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY have submitted to the Government revised plans showing the route of the proposed new Tramway from the Queen's Road and BATTERY PATH, via GLENWAY VALLEY to the PEAK. The route now proposed cuts the lower part of the North-eastern edge of the Public Gardens and then passing on trees along their Western extremity, and within 100 yards of the Roman Catholic Cathedral crosses Robinson Road about 30 yards to the East of its junction with Conduit Road. Continuing upwards it passes within 120 yards of Inland Lot No. 1088 and adjoins the Peak Road opposite Inland Lot No. 1146, keeping after that to the Eastern slope of Victoria Peak. Owners of adjacent property and the general public who may be interested in the effect of the Tramway upon the Public Gardens can inspect the plans and drawings at the Offices of the Director of Public Works for a period of one month from this date between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

By Command,
F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, January 16, 1908.

RACES, 1908.

MADAME EDWARDS,

KENSINGTON HOUSE,

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(Off Robinson Road)

(Three minutes drive from Ferry),
KOWLOON.

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Hongkong, January 8, 1908.

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Central, (7 doors East of his present pre-
mises) on 4th January, 1908.

Hongkong, December 27, 1907.

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ALL kinds of Drawn-Thread-Work,
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Hongkong, September 4, 1907.

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The Property contains by admeasure-
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For further particulars, apply to
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Hongkong, September 11, 1907.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of this So-
ciety will be held in the CITY HALL
on THURSDAY, January 30, at 5.30 P.M.
All members are invited to be present.
Hongkong, January 20, 1908.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE POST OF COMPRADORE to the
above CLUB becomes VACANT on
the 31st MARCH, 1908. Applications to
fill the same will be received by the Under-
signed up to the 31st January, 1908.

C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 8, 1908.

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Hongkong, October 25, 1907.

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II—Fire Funds \$3,336,720 19 8

III—Life & Annuity Funds \$1,738,598 8 8

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Life & Annuity..... \$3,061,044 19 8

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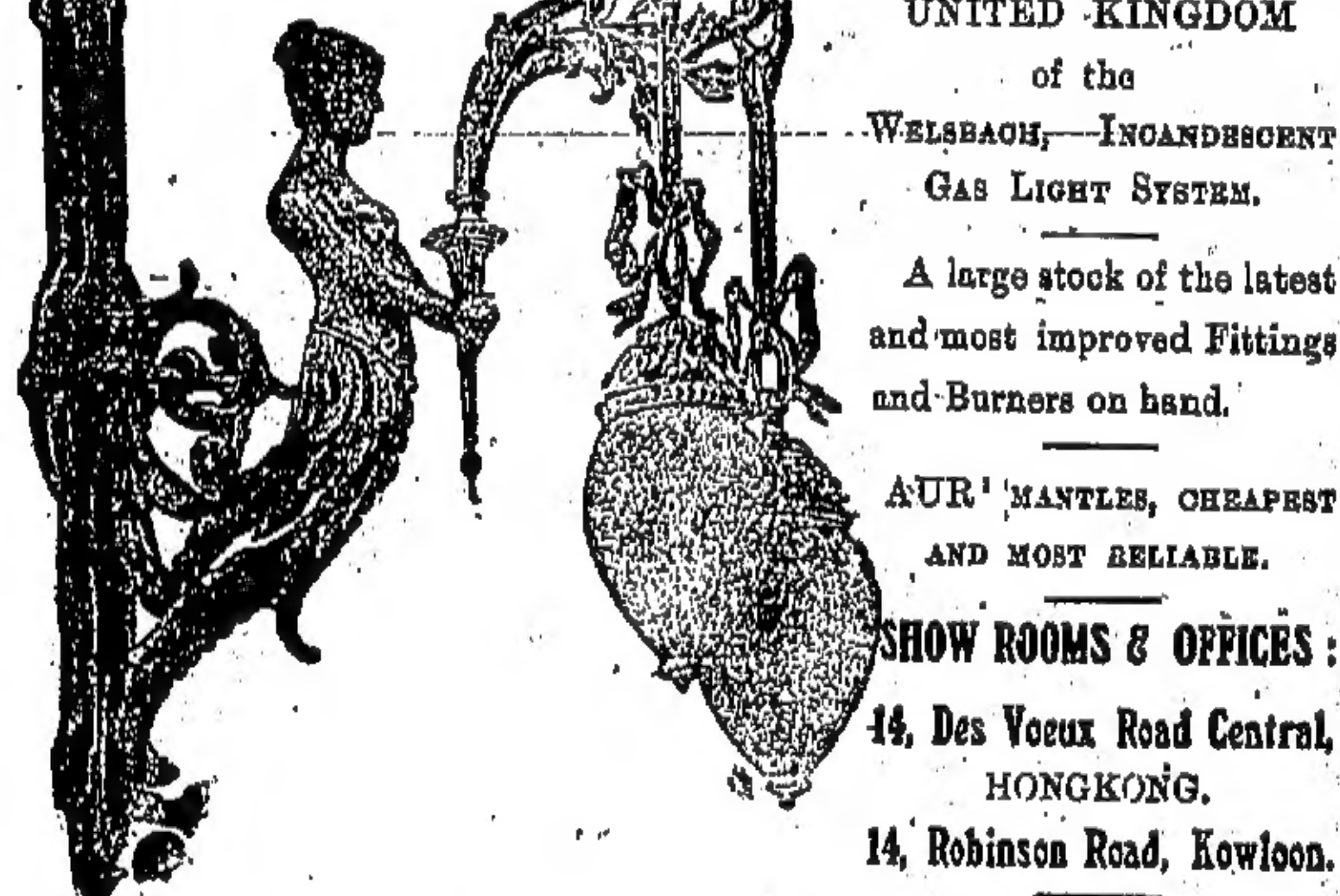
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Hongkong, September 3, 1907.

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MACHADO'S FAMOUS STRING BAND will be in attendance
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SHAMEN, CANTON.
ON THE PATHWAY CONCERNING.
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Hongkong, April 10, 1907.



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	Per Doz.	Per Bottle
B.-Old Tawny, Red Seal Capsule...	\$15	\$1.25
C.-Superior Light Invalid, Black Seal Capsule (old bottled)...	18	1.50
D.-Very Fine Old Tawny, Superior Quality (old bottled) Violet Capsule...	25	2.10

SHERRY:

	Per Doz.	Per Bottle
B.-Light Dry, Green Seal Capsule...	\$13.00	\$1.10
C.C.-Solera, Red Seal Capsule...	17.50	1.50
D.-Superior Pale Dry, White Seal Capsule...	19.50	1.65
E.-Finest Pale Dry, Nutty (old bottled) Violet Capsule...	25.00	2.15

CLARET:

	Per Case 12oz. Qtz.	Per Case 3oz. Pts.
B.-St. Estephe (Red Capsule)...	\$8.00	\$9.00
C.-St. Julien (Red Capsule)...	10.00	11.00
D.-La Rose (Red Capsule)...	13.00	14.00
Chateau Haut Brion Larivert...	19.00	20.00
Chateau Mouton D'Armailhacq...	23.00	24.00
Chateau Pontet Canet...	25.00	—
Chateau La Tour Carnet...	30.00	—
Chateau Ranzan...	44.00	—
Chateau Lafite...	50.00	—

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS,

Hongkong, November 30, 1907.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

Noon-Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 10, Pedder's Street, Amusements.
9 p.m.-Concert at City Hall.
Miscellaneous.
Transfer Books of The China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., close from this date to 29th Jan., inclusive.
Transfer Books of Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., close from this date to 15th February, inclusive.
Goods per Kwang undelivered after 4 p.m. on this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

Monday, January 27:-
8 p.m.-Auction of Crown Land at the Public Works Department's Office.
Goods per Kwang undelivered after this date at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

Tuesday, January 28:-
11.15 a.m.-Meeting of The Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.
11.30 a.m.-Meeting of The West Point Building Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.
Noon-Meeting of The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.
Noon-Auction of Houses and Land at Messrs Hughes & Hough's Sales Rooms.
Goods per Siberia undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Wednesday, January 29:-
11.30 a.m.-Meeting of China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.
2.30 p.m.-Auction of Valuable Household Furniture, &c., at No. 13, Caine Road.
Goods per Peninsular not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

Thursday, January 30:-
2.30 p.m.-Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 39, Morrison Hill Road.
5.30 p.m.-Annual Meeting of Hongkong Benevolent Society at City Hall.

Friday, January 31:-
Noon-Meeting of Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Registered Office.

Friday, February 7:-
Regalia Dance at City Hall.

NOTICE.

Letters relating to business should be addressed to THE MANAGER.

Communications relating to news should be addressed to THE EDITOR.

Correspondents must forward their names and addresses with any communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

No anonymous signed communications that have already appeared in other papers will be inserted.

Orders for extra copies of the "CHINA MAIL" should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day after publication. After that time the supply is limited. Cash 50 cts., credit 20 cts., per copy.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements on Pages 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7 should be sent to our Office at 5 Wyndham Street not later than 11 a.m. Near Advertisements should be sent to our Office at 8, Queen's Road Central before 5 p.m.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

Telephone Address: Mail, Hongkong. Telephone No. 22.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1908.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

Any endeavour to promote sane optimism can meet only with universal approbation. To provide a fitting opportunity for a Christian Science Expert the usual machinery was set in motion and by skillful engineering a great assembly was brought together yesterday and lectured. We congratulate the prime movers on the success which attended their skill and push. This, and in fact the whole movement here, is a notable instance of what may be done by personal witness, earnestness, persistent enthusiasm, and a smattering of truth. This truth, by the way, is as old as ancient Indian Philosophy. When, in front of this fact, "Our Leader" is hailed as a "Revelator" (sic) we can only wonder. As part of the world which is "engulfed in mesmerism" (?) we can only wonder. We are not inclined to bandy names but we do welcome any helpful interpretation of life's essence and phenomena, so long as the facts are fairly faced. Asthetic services, even with plenty of rosewater, will not compensate for replacing the world, as it is experienced, by a mystical explanation or a repeated denial of it. Though yesterday's effort was not in exposition of the system, its leading tenets naturally cropped up. Unfortunately there was such a lack of clearness in the use of the terms Evil, Reality and Matter, making nothingness synonymous with emptiness, and the

like, that the value of the lecture must have been seriously discounted for many. Amidst a considerable amount of unconvincing statements and what poor "mortal man" might call redomontade, the high-sounding phrase "eternal fact of Being" made itself frequently heard with an unction, like that of the blessed word "Mesopotamia." However, we can find no inconsistency between the eternal fact of Being and the existence of Matter, as we experience it. Where the lecturer was in the clouds, the boomed text-book has brought no great clearness. That the latter "educates, enlightens and refines all who come in contact with it" is a little too sweeping. Anyway we must plead exception. In short, when we deal with these psychological and related studies we must be permitted to declare that we prefer to sit at the feet of Dr Fluno's countryman, Prof. W. Jones, of Harvard, a four-fold Doctor, whose psychological and medical attainments are above suspicion. When dealing with what ordinary folks regard as realities, this system breaks down utterly and hopelessly, though the Lecturer would plead that this is only a passing phase, and that by and bye Christian Scientists will be able to live up to their convictions anent eating, drinking, marriage, surgery and death. As regards this and so many other assurances, we cannot accept assertion as proof, and of even the beginnings of proof, nothing more worthy the name appear in this lecture than in the testimonies given week by week in the periodical literature. The marvellous cures seem always somewhere else. For the sake of the good there may be in their system Christian Scientists should do well to see to it that their assertions, e.g., as to notable cures, are far better authenticated than any we have heard of. At present the amount of theory and assertion are out of all worthy proportion to proof and demonstration. For some leading members in our Colony, in view of their wholesome lives and unselfish service, we are behind none in our admiration. But how far the system as a whole is worked in the interests of Christian Science Practitioners is perhaps difficult to estimate, and, of course, Dr Fluno, as an official, could only touch this matter lightly. But that all money is obtained as absolutely free-will offerings, without any charge or pressure, direct or indirect, will scarcely square with all the published facts. We must claim liberty to interpret the comparatively unknown by the well-known. The Lecturer emphatically denied proselytism. Really the local friends might well have saved him from this pitfall. It is common knowledge that the ordinary assemblies here are composed almost entirely of those who formerly belonged to Christian congregations. On their own confession these were brought over by constant canvassing and pressure. In Hongkong the ranks have been recruited by the most persistent personal proselytising which this Colony has ever experienced. However regretfully, we are obliged to regard other assertions concerning methods, etc., of which we know little, in the light of this reiterated denial, which the well-known facts flatly contradict. That truth will prevail we are also sure. When next such a lecture is delivered to an assembly of admiring souls, we trust that there will not be less of the *quid pro quo* but more, far more, of the *fieri re*.

Mr Stead, the versatile Editor of the "Review of Reviews," does not drive consistency to death. To his credit be it said that sometimes at all events he is open to conviction. The "United Service Gazette" has something to say in regard to Mr Stead's appearance in a new and unexpected role. Thus-That Mr Stead, the Apostle of Disarmament, should, above all men, range "himself on the side of those who insist on the maintenance of the two-Power standard, adds weight to the conviction that is already forcing itself on the mind of the nation, that the policy of the present Admiralty has so far had a dangerous tendency to weaken our supremacy of the sea. Even Mr Stead, overflowing with the milk of human kindness as he

generally is, has had his eyes opened, and has now adopted the war cry of "Britons, hold your own!" Mr Stead's conversion to pugnaciousness has been brought about by the German Emperor's visit to this country, which it was presumed had helped to promote a better understanding between the two nations, and obliterated the necessity for increased armaments. Mr Stead was rather unsettled in this happy impression by the first fruits of the new *entente* manifesting themselves in a sudden increase in the German naval shipbuilding programme. This has quite upset Mr Stead's calculations and not to put too fine a point on it, raised all his latent bellicosity. "Of course," he now says, "there is no question as to what John Bull will reply to this programme, be it little or big. He will say that he is sorry, but if it must be so, he cannot help himself. Without any ill-intentioned feeling he accepts in all courtesy the challenge which is offered him. . . . We cannot allow our naval supremacy to be imperilled. No not even for a single day. 'Britons, hold your own!' And so say all of us." Bravo, Mr Stead! After this, the Executive of the Navy League will fail in their duty to their subscribers if they do not invite you to become one of their number.

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY.

To-morrow's issue of the "Hongkong Weekly" will be well worth purchasing. The interesting diary describing Life on a Troopship is continued and two excellent full page illustrations depicting scenes not infrequently to be witnessed in Hongkong will be found. Sporting as usual is one of the chief features but care has been taken to cater for readers of all tastes.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Negotiations are in progress for the establishment of a Chinese Bank in Sarawak.

The import of copper coin into Sarawak has been prohibited, except with a written permission of the Treasury.

The preacher at to-morrow evening's Service at St. Peter's Church West Point, will be the Right Reverend Bishop Landet. The Service is at 6.30.

According to a Chinese paper: The Peking Board of Finance has proposed to stop the circulation of foreign banknotes in China except in the foreign settlements.

The "Sarawak Gazette" for January 4 contains the names of twenty-nine pepper planters who have absconded rather than face Bankruptcy Court proceedings at Kuching.

From January 1 to December 28, last year, 502,283 tons of rice were exported from Rangoon to the Straits and to China, as against 458,012 tons during the corresponding period of 1906.

The Waiwupu (Chinese Board of Foreign Affairs) has replied to the Mexican Government that China has never bought silver but exported it and the amount exported according to the report of the maritime customs is about two millions taels a year.

From the "Daily Press" we receive their most useful "Directory of Protestant Missionaries in China, Japan and Corea" for the year 1908. It is well printed, and gives the names of most if not all of the missionaries in the countries named in alphabetical order as well as in the stations and societies in connection with which they serve.

Practically all the seats are booked for the Scotch Concert to-morrow evening. There will be many disappointed people. Among the guests of the Union Church Committee to be present will be General Broadwood and his A.D.C., Major and Mrs. McFarlan, Colonel and Mrs. Rich (Cameroon Highlanders), Mr and Mrs R. Sheehan and Mr T. Hough.

To the current number of the Asiatic Quarterly Review Mr G. H. Parker contributes an interesting article on "Islam in China."

A noted firm of fire extinguisher manufacturers in Finsbury-square, doing extensive business in Germany, have decided that all their clerks, from the office boy upwards, must acquire a knowledge of German. Tuition is given in that language during business hours. Half the staff collect in a room apart for an hour's instruction, at the end of which they resume their ordinary duties, and the rest take their turn in "going to school."

News was received at Shanghai on Jan. 17 that the Indo-China ste. Suivo had gone ashore about 100 miles this side of Kinkiang, on the 15th inst. while bound down river. The I. O. steamer Kutwo, came along and took off all her passengers and crew, and the Suivo is in a safe position and one of the upper river steamers has received orders to proceed to the scene in order to lighten the stranded vessel as soon as possible before the river falls lower.

Reverie is good, seeing is better, but drinking Imperial Draught Beer is best. Try it.-Adv.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

Last evening the Theatre Royal was packed by a large audience desirous of hearing Dr Fluno lecture on Christian Science. We surmise most expected the lecturer to work a few miracles, for there was considerable disappointment expressed when it was found that the Dr only intended to confine himself to expounding the possibilities of the "Science." In last night's issue we gave a summary of Dr Fluno's speech at Yokohama, and as his lecture here was on precisely the same lines we do not propose to add anything further in the way of a report. The lecture was listened to very patiently.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Correspondent.)
CANTON, JANUARY 23.
A Peking telegram states that Prince Ching has telegraphed to Shum inquiring as to the state of his health, concluding by saying that if he is better he should at once come to Peking.

Peking is too small a place to contain both Chang Chi-tung and Yuan Shih-kai. They seem to be on opposite sides of all questions that receive their attention. A recent telegram states that H. E. Chang Chi-tung is weary of the struggle and wishes to get away to a place of quiet. The Chinese here are talking much about the pro-foreign proclivities of H. E. Yuan. He is even branded as a traitor by some because of the efforts he made on behalf of the British in re the Chekiang Railway loan. It is reported that because of this he will be transferred from the Board of Foreign Affairs, the Waiwupu, to the Army Board. All this must be taken with salt. But it is certain that there are many wheels buzzing at Peking and much wire pulling.

Admiral Li Chun seems to realize the seriousness of his position in connection with patrolling the waterways of this province. He is making investigations now with the view of putting modern foreign arms on the gunboats.

"Self-governing Societies" are springing up in many sections of this province. The object of these societies seems to be twofold, namely, to instruct the people in the duties of citizenship and thus prepare them for the time when China will be under a Constitution, and the second is to cultivate a feeling of patriotism. It would be easy to ridicule such societies, but they seem destined to wield considerable influence. One subject of correspondence between them now is the organization of a Company to run a line of steamships between China and some foreign countries.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The new Chinese Minister to St. James', Li Ching Fong (Lord Li), received Major Henry Wright at the Legation on 21st inst., and, like his three predecessors, Sir Chichen Lo Fung Luh, Chang Ta Jen, and Wang Ta Sieh, signed on the Ambassador's page of Major Wright's collection of autographs, in which Lord Li was much interested.

Mr. Walter R. Clouth, of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs who is now home on long leave, has been graciously granted by the German Emperor the "Order of the Crown" (Kronen Orden IV. Klasse). Mr Clouth has many friends in China who will heartily congratulate him upon this well-deserved honour.

Approval has been given to the retirement of Captain J. B. Lloyd, Royal Lancaster Regiment, to serve in the Militia. Capt. Lloyd, who was very popular in Singapore as a good sportsman and cricketer, married Miss Jackson, daughter of Sir Thos. Jackson, and sister of Capt. Thomas Dora Jackson, D.S.O., of the same regiment, who is now A.D.C. to Sir Archibald Hunter in the Burma command.

The death took place on Dec. 23 at Blackheath of Mr F. R. Kendall, late general manager of the P. and O. Company. It will be remembered that a year ago Mr Kendall retired owing to failing health. He had then seen upwards of 50 years' service with the P. and O. Company. Mr Kendall held positions of trust on behalf of the company in all its leading branches and agencies, and his career opened in 1855, when he was appointed to the company's London staff. Two years later he was promoted to the company's Bombay agency-one of its most important branches. Having acquired by his ability there a claim to further advancement, he was, in 1866, sent to Melbourne to control the company's Australian interests, and in this capacity he was partly instrumental in securing mail contracts with some of the Colonial Governments. In 1880 Mr Kendall was invited by the board to join in the London management, and subsequently, in 1899, he was appointed general manager. Mr Kendall was also a director of the Marine and General Mutual Life Assurance Society, Limited.

Boiled down into one word, the happy and successful life is "wholesomeness." Imperial Draught Beer is wholesome. Adv.

BEWARE OF PNEUMONIA.

If you have weak lungs, you have reason to fear pneumonia, and should keep at hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

BY TELEGRAPH.

JAPANESE POLITICS.

The Government Defeated.

(From Our Correspondent.)
Tokyo, January 24.
A vote of no-confidence in the Saionji Cabinet was moved when the Diet re-assembled yesterday.
The Government was defeated by nine votes.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Record Voting.

(From Our Correspondent.)
SHANGHAI, January 24.
The voting yesterday for members of the Municipal Council, to which great interest had been lent by the endeavour of the Germans and Americans to capture two seats from the British, constituted a record.
The poll closes to-night.

THE LIARS.

Outside the Theatre Royal the other evening the Scotch Humourist stumbled against a mound of earth piled up on Queen's Road by employees of the P. W. D. and grunted something uncomplimentary about collusion between the P. W. D. and the A. D. O. What train of thought the pile of earth in the thoroughfare inspired in the mind of the canny Scot to cause him to connect it with the A. D. O. must be left to the imagination, but it is worthy of notice that on February 20, 21 and 22 the Amateur Dramatic Club produce "The Liars" at the Theatre Royal. Rehearsals are being strenuously proceeded with, and if the young lady who has to throw herself into the arms of her lover or someone else's lover has not yet acquired the perfect abandon that such an act requires, she will shortly do so, and the other forming the cast will ere long also be sure in their parts. "The Liars" is rather a difficult piece to play-but we are assured the Company is showing up remarkably well, and when the time arrives the public can be sure of an artistic and thoroughly good presentation.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, Ltd.

The following is the report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1907, for presentation to the shareholders of the above Co. at the ordinary annual general meeting of the Company, to be held at the registered offices of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Vaux Road, at noon on Friday, January 31:-
To the Shareholders of Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.
GENTLEMEN-The Directors now beg to submit to you their report and statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1907.

The net profit for that period amounts to \$108,948.84, to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account \$11,667.15. Total \$120,615.99. And from this have to be deducted:-

Remuneration to Directors 5% Commission on net profits \$5,447.44. Remuneration to General Managers 5% Commission on net profits \$5,447.44. Total \$10,894.88, leaving available for appropriation \$109,621.11.

The Directors recommend that a dividend of seven per cent. on the paid-up capital be paid to shareholders, amounting to \$105,000.00 and that the balance of \$4,621.11 be carried to a new Profit and Loss Account.

DIRECTORS.-During the year Dr J. W. Noble was offered and accepted a seat on the Board. The Directors now are:-Messrs A. G. Wood, J. Scott Harrison, H. A. W. Elde, J. S. Van Buren, Ho Tung, and Dr J. W. Noble. In accordance with rule 78 of the Company's Articles of Association they all retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.-Mr W. H. Gaskell having resigned, his place has been taken by Mr H. Percy Smith, who has, in conjunction with Mr W. Hutton Potts, audited the Accounts. Mr Potts and Mr Percy Smith offer themselves for re-election.
HENRY HUMPHREYS, Chairman.

The owners of the Poulton system of wireless telegraphy and telephony announce that experiments made during the last few days show that wireless Poulton telegrams between Newcastle and Copenhagen, and Berlin and Copenhagen, can be written directly from the receiver with ink, and are as good as with telegraph by wire.

What is more welcome and practical than a cask of Imperial Draught Beer? Adv.

THE BEST IS ALWAYS CHEAPEST

In buying medicine, a few pence from each bottle is no inducement to the buyer. He wants that which is most effective, as it is cheapest in the end. This is why Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is so popular here. It is guaranteed to do all that is claimed for it, and its cures of coughs, colds and croup are always satisfactory. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

BY TELEGRAPH.

SOCIALISM'S MARCH.

Excitement at Hull.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

London, January 23.

At the Hull Labour Conference a resolution was put forward that socialism be adopted as the object of the Labour party.

A vigorous debate followed and on taking a vote the resolution was carried.

The opponents of the socialists were very vehement and on the voting being announced there were loud cries of—“You're Mad!”

Mr D. J. Shackleton, Labour member for Clitheroe Division, Lancashire, declared that the vote would be a most disastrous one for the Labour Party.

A NOTED SOLDIER.

Colonel Vyvyan Luke's Death.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

London, January 23.

Lieut.-Colonel Vyvyan Luke, R.M.I., who took a prominent part in the Tientsin trouble of 1900, has died.

CANADA AND JAPAN.

London, January 22.

Mr Lemieux, in a statement to the House of Commons, Ottawa, described the mission to Japan as a complete success, and said that all danger of future trouble in regard to Oriental immigration had been eliminated.

He gave a tribute to Sir Claude Macdonald and Count Hayashi, the latter was a true friend to Canada.

Mr Lemieux explained that Japan had not insisted on the complete enjoyment of treaty rights and privileges when they involved a disregard of special conditions in Canada.

He added that Canada was bound to accept Count Hayashi's dignified assurance of good faith, and they could not ask a rising power, Great Britain's friend and ally, to brand herself an inferior race.

THE SOCIALISTS IN GERMANY.

London, January 22.

The Reichstag and the Imperial police were isolated yesterday by dense cordons of police armed with revolvers, in anticipation of demonstrations in support of a Socialist interpellation demanding the extension of the Reichstag franchise to the Prussian Diet.

Prince Buelow refused to discuss the matter outside the Reichstag's domain, and warned the Socialists that disorderly demonstrations would be vigorously repressed.

THE PHILIPPINE AGRICULTURAL BANK.

WASHINGTON, January 20.—The report of the Chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs is very optimistic on the subject of the proposed agricultural bank for the Philippine Islands. The report tells of several proposals that have been received by the bureau and states that it is probable that one of them will be accepted in the near future.

BAD FOR BEER DRINKERS.

Increased Taxes in Japan.

It is stated, says the “Japan Chronicle,” that the tax on beer brewed in Japan will be raised simultaneously with the increase of the salt tax. It is believed that a Bill for the increase of the tax on beer is introduced into the Diet it will be amended in certain respects, but in any case the rate of increase will be raised. It is pointed out that the tax on salt now imposed is ¥17 per koku (which is to be increased to ¥20), while that on beer is only ¥3 per koku. Not only is there a large discrepancy, therefore, between the rate of tax on the two beverages, but it is also proposed to amend the existing Beer-tax Law, and allow the use of rice, maize, or sugar equal in weight not exceeding a fifteenth part of malt for brewing beer instead of rice not exceeding in weight a thirteenth part of malt. The alcohol contained in beer to be brewed under the amended law will increase in proportion to the increase of the ingredients, and for this reason it is deemed proper to increase the tax accordingly.

A boon to the slender person is Imperial Draught Beer.—Adv.

DO NOT EXPERIMENT WITH CROUP.

When a child shows symptoms of croup there is no time to experiment with new remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended. There is one preparation that can always be depended upon. It has been in use for many years and has never been known to fail. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Give it, and a quick cure is sure to follow. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

RAILWAYS IN CHINA.

The following “notes on railways in China in 1907” are translated by the “Shanghai Mercury” from the Calendar-Annuaire issued by Sincow Observatory:

I.—CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY.

a.—Main line, from Manchuria, the first station on the Trans-Siberian line in China, Russian Custom-house, to Harbin and Vladivostok.

There are three Siberian trains to and from Europe each week, and a daily mail train.

From Vladivostok the steamers of the Russian East Asiatic Company convey passengers to Tsouru on Wednesdays or to Nagasaki and Shanghai on Saturdays. Passage to Shanghai, 4 days.

London to Vladivostok, 18 days, fare 437 mks. The Siberian mails to Europe only carry letters and postcards.

b.—Line from Harbin to Kwantung, province of Harbin. The junction with the Japanese line is made at the Japanese terminus of Changchun. For trains arriving from the North and at the Russian terminus of Kwantung for trains coming from the South. Each Company has a line of its own between the two stations.

The Russian line has a five-foot gauge.

II.—FROM CHANGCHUN TO KIRIN.

This projected line, a Chinese and Japanese joint enterprise, will be about 60 miles. Capital Tels. 2,400,000 of which Tels. 600,000 has been furnished by Japan.

III.—SOUTH MANCHURIAN RAILWAY (JAPANESE).

a.—Main line from Dairen (Dalny) to Changchun 443 English miles. (Dalny) Gauge 4 feet 6 in. This is being gradually altered to the standard gauge of 4 feet 8½ in.

This line with its branches (1, 3, and 5) was conceded by China on a 75 years' lease, with right of purchase.

b.—Branches—

1.—Nankwang to Port Arthur, 29½ miles.

2.—Tafengshen to Lushun, 34 miles.

3.—Tushinkiao to Yingkow, 13½ miles.

(The line does not yet connect with the Northern Railway.)

4.—Yantai to Takung, 9 miles.

5.—Suchiatun to Fushun, 37½ miles (with two short branches to the coal mines).

6.—Changchun to Kwantung, 5 miles (line connecting with the Manchurian).

b.—Line from Mukden to Antung. Narrow gauge, 3 feet, 6 inches. Leased by convention between China and Japan for 18 years on 22nd Dec., 1905.

(Opposite Antung, on the right bank of the Yalu, is I-chow (Wiju), the terminus of the Korean line.)

From Dairen to Kwantung by rail, 465 miles. From Newchwang to Kwantung, 330 miles.

IV.—IMPERIAL RAILWAYS OF NORTH CHINA OR PEKING-MUKDEN (KINGDOM).

a.—Line from Peking to Mukden.

This has become the main line since the purchase of the section from Simsimu to Mukden in June, 1907, at the cost of \$1,600,000.

Peking (Tientsin) to miles.

Tientsin 86

Tangku 113

Shanhaiwan 200

Chiaowu 373

Kowpangto 409

Simimfu 479

Kialuh 488

Mukden 521

The junction with the Manchurian line is made at Mukden; there is a question of a second station in that town. The wooden bridge over the Liao, at Kialuh, is to be replaced by an iron one. The Central Station is at Tongshan, not far from the Kai-ping mines and Linhai.

b.—Line from Kowpangto to Yingkow (Newchwang). Length, 59 miles.

There is no connection at Yingkow between the Japanese railway on the left bank and the Chinese on the right bank. The two stations are about three miles apart.

c.—Line from Peking to Tanchow (Chinese), 15 miles.

d.—Tangku to Chingwantao.

e.—Line from Kaopaiton to Siling Western (Imperial Tomb).

f.—From Kaopaiton, on the Peking-Hankow line, to the terminus of Liangkochwang, the distance is 25 miles. This line was constructed for the use of the Imperial family, and has no traffic. There is one passenger train a day.

g.—Fongtai to Lukovkiao. The connection with Kiangnan Railway (Peking to Hankow).

All the lines of the company are on the Standard British gauge of 4 feet 8½ in.

V.—PEKING-KALGAN RAILWAY (KINGDOM).

This is an entirely Chinese enterprise; with state funds.

The first section was opened to traffic on 30th September, 1906. Three trains run daily each way.

From Lewisun, 2 miles East from Fengtai, where the line connects with the North China railway, to Nankow, 33 miles.

Second section under construction, with four tunnels of which two are already pierced, 14 miles.

Third section, under survey. From Chatao to Kalgan (the Great Wall), total length, 125 miles. A prolongation to Urga is spoken of.

VI.—PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY (KINGDOM).

a.—Main Line. From Peking City to Hankow Uaimen, 753 miles. One fast train per week makes the run in 27 hours. The ordinary daily trains take three days for the journey.

Northern Section.

Peking (Tientsin) to miles.

Lukukiao 11

Changchun 13

Liangshangshien 20

Lulih 31

Chocho 39

Tingangshien 51

Aushien 76

Fongting 91

Wangshien 110

Tingchow 127

Sinloshien 141

Chengtingfu 162

Chengtao 172

Yuanshien 191

Koyishien 203

Lichangshien 218

Neikushien 225

Shuntou 237

Shahshien 250

Hanlanhsien 275

Tzechow 294

Chingtao 315

Tauyushien 320

Suenhsien 341

Kihshien 351

Weihsien 366

Sintianghsien 382

Yingcholsien 420

SOUTH SECTION.

Hankow (Kow) 3

Hankow (river) 40

Chiaokansien 98

Kwangshien 135

Sinyangchow 162

Chowangshien 193

Swinghsien 208

Singhsien 222

Yongchongshien 230

Chuchow 276

Tseungchow 323

Yingcholsien 334

At Yingcholsien the Yellow River Bridge, two miles in length joins the two sections.

The net profit of this line from 1st January to 31st July, 1905, was \$2,823,000 Mex.

b.—Branches.

1.—Changchun to Fengtai. The connection with the Northern Railway (Tientsin).

2.—Liangshang (at the 31st kil.) to Yuli, 9 miles. Carries coal, stone and lime.

3.—Lulih (at the 50th kil.) to Chowkoy, 10 miles—coal, stone and lime.

4.—Kaoysien (at the 32th kil.) to Lanchow, 11 miles—coal mines.

The central station is at Changchun, near Peking.

(To be continued.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

(To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.)

Dear Sir,—Beside the two Chinese boys to whom His Excellency referred yesterday,

1905 Chow Wan-lan (St. Stephen's) and 1907 Mok Kai-fong (Queen's) both placed in Junior Third Class Honours, there is a third Chinese candidate who obtained Honours, viz., 1905 Tui Yan-san (St. Joseph's) Preliminary Third Class Honours.

I beg leave to take this opportunity of amending my Historical Report of this Centre by the addition to the Distinction Lists of two names. Senior 1904 Grace Ozorio in Scripture, and Preliminary 1905 Tui Yan-san in Geography, both of St. Joseph's.—Your obedient servant,

Geo. H. BATESON WHITE, Hon. Sec.

Oxford Local Examinations, 23rd January, 1908.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

The following will represent the Civil Service Club against Otago on Saturday, 23rd January, 1908.

H. T. Jackson (Capt.), Hon. Dr. Atkinson, H. R. Phillips, R. O. Hutchison, R. Witzell, F. A. Biden, P. R. Adams, L. E. Brett, E. A. Dawson, A. Tucker, and A. Fife.

The following will represent the Civil Service Club “A” Team against Telegraphs “A” Team on the Civil Service ground to-morrow at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—

L. A. Wheel (Capt.), F. Bacon, A. Ellis, A. Chawley, G. Hogarth, A. Thornhill, W. H. Kelly, A. Hualow, W. Gast, J. Mackay, and A. Gibson.

League Cricket.

CRAGENOWER V. CIVIL SERVICE.

This match will take place on Saturday at 2.15 p.m. on the former Club's ground.

The following will represent Cragenower:—L. E. Lamert (Capt.), R. Bass, A. O. Brown, H. L. Manderson, G. A. Hancock, G. Evans, E. Irving, R. Pestonji, L. A. Rose, M. E. Asger and J. D. Kinnaird.

Football.

THE GARRISON LEAGUE.

Fixtures for week commencing 27-1-08:

Date Teams and Referees.

Jan. 27, 87 Co., R.G.A. v. 83 Co., R.G.A., Q.M.S. English, 3rd Mx.

“28,” “G” Co., Mx. v. 88 Co., R.G.A., Sgt. Atkins, A.S.O.

“29,” 40th Co., R.E. v. “F” Co., Mx., Sgt. Graham, A.O.C.

“30,” “A” Co., Mx. v. “H” Co., Mx., R.Q.M.S. Thorp, R.G.A.

“31,” 23th Co., R.E. v. Departmental Gr. Greenwood, R.G.A.

Kick-off 4 p.m. sharp.

The results for last week are:—No. 88 Co., R.G.A. (0), “F” Co., 3rd Mx. (1); “A” Co., 3rd Mx. (2), Departmental (2); 40th Co., R.E. (1), 23th Co., R.E. (2); “H” Co., 3rd Mx. (0), No. 83 Co., R.G.A. (1).

LEAGUE TABLE TO 18-1-08.

Goals.

“F” Co., Middlesex 13 10 1 1 39 10 21

“A” Co., Middlesex 13 9 2 8 31 19 18

“G” Co., Middlesex 11 8 1 2 23 7 17

88 Co., R.G.A. 13 8 5 26 25 16

83 Co., R.G.A. 12 3 9 14 38 10*

Departmental 10 4 1 5 13 22 9

40 Co., R.E. 11 4 7 36 28 8

87 Co., R.G.A. 10 4 6 23 21 8

“H” Co., Middlesex 12 3 7 11 27 6

25 Co., R.E. 11 2 1 8 7 33 5

* 2 points for game forfeited by 23th Co., R.E., 30-11-07.

* 2 points for game forfeited by No. 87 Co., R.G.A., 14-12-07.

THE KNICKERBOCKER TRUST.

WASHINGTON, January 18.—Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou denies explicitly the report of his acceptance of the presidency of the Knickerbocker Trust Company.

Henry C. Ide still remains as receiver, pending the reorganization. It is understood that the trust company is being put on a solid foundation.

Texas is great difficulty in getting pure foods and genuine goods in the Orient. Drink Imperial Draught Beer and you are sure of one pure article.—Adv.

SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, December 27.

Christmas has come again to Scotland. For many generations it was supposed that to keep in mind the Feast of the Nativity by good cheer or by religious service was to savour of Procelcy, if not of Popery.

Gloom was accounted a sure sign of piety; the ungodly, reared on the spiritual meat of seventeenth century theology, might unburden on occasion, but not on Christmas Day, or on any other day associated with the early history of the Faith. But a change has come over our ideas and customs, and there is good reason to think it has been attended with ameliorating effects upon the blood and mood of our race.

After a long period of neglect followed by a slow and hesitating recovery, Christmas has been permanently established as a Scottish institution. While borrowing largely from the Christmas rites of the other side of the Border, however, Scotland has not lost with her own special practices in celebrating the coming in of the New Year. Rather she has striven, with more or less success, to extract and blend what is best in each.

No doubt there still remains much in the national fashions of Christmas and New Year celebration that one might wish to see altered, but what is taking place is all for the better.

This year, Christmas Day was observed in a large number of Presbyterian Churches all over the country—in one, at least, “for the first time since the Reformation, except when Christmas happened to occur on a Sunday.”

Christmastide brought with it the usual lull in politics. For a season, the voice of the party speaker was no longer heard in the land. Mr. Haldane, of course, was the last to submit himself to silence. Since the rising of Parliament, he has made the large total of thirty speeches—a record which places him far above the most active of his colleagues in the Cabinet.

He finished up his campaign with two addresses in Edinburgh, one of them to members of the Edinburgh Merchant Company, when they were met together to toast “The Stock of Broom.” This hearty pluck is the badge of the Company, for the good Scottish reason that, though placed in the midst of the most sterile soil in a rigorous climate, it never fails to preserve its greenness during the storms of winter, and is always ready to burst into golden blossom at the first touch of spring.

Mr. Haldane delivered himself of an interesting piece of autobiography as to the genesis of his Territorial Army scheme. He said that in the long vacant mornings during the last General Election—speeches at a General Election do not require much thought—it occurred to him that of late years the country gentlemen had been shorn of many of their duties, and that as they possessed a great reserve of strength the county would make the best of all units for the New Army Model. He recalled that five hundred years ago Oliver Cromwell utilised these country gentlemen for the Commonwealth Army, and thought it would be a good thing if he could get them to take the same part in his own scheme. Mr. Haldane's companion of himself to Oliver Cromwell, was not without its touch of humour; but it was an afterthought speech, and latitude is always permitted to such effusions. It may be remarked, however, that if his scheme comes to anything it will most assuredly be through the work of the country gentlemen of England and Scotland—country gentlemen who are almost to a man Mr. Haldane's political opponents.

An important announcement has been made by Mr. Haldane—that the surplus Volunteer corps of Edinburgh will not be disbanded. The military spirit of the old city is to be recognised, and it will not be made to suffer because of its patriotism in the past. Rosyth is to be an important Naval Base; it must be defended “just as Portsmouth is defended; and there will here be an outlet for the strong Edinburgh battalions. He took care not to commit himself too far, the matter is still under the consideration of the General Staff, but the r.h.g. has held out this word of hope to the Eastern Volunteers. In the West, the surplus Volunteers of Glasgow and Dumfriesshire are anxious that they should in like fashion be used for the special defence of the Clyde.

It is stated on good authority that the Admiralty are in communication with the trustees of Craigflower estate, near Rosyth, as to the farm of Crombie. The ground is about a mile to the north of Charleston, and overlooks Kinnis Point and Bay. What is described as “a large area of land” will be required for the erection of an explosives factory and magazine.

Death has removed two names from the roll of distinguished men who have contributed to the fame of Edinburgh as a medical and surgical school. On Friday, Professor Annandale passed away, and within a few hours he was followed by Sir Patrick Horon Watson. Thomas Annandale, Professor of Clinical Surgery, in Edinburgh University, was the best known surgeon in Scotland. He assisted the great Syme, he was chosen as successor to Lord Lister, and these two facts are eloquent of his eminence in his profession. He was in active practice when he was called away in his sleep, and performed two operations only the day before.

Sir Patrick Horon Watson was an older man than his colleague. He joined the Army Medical Service at the time of the Crimean War, and was attached to V. Battery when it was stationed

near the Tulkrit Bridge above Balachiva.

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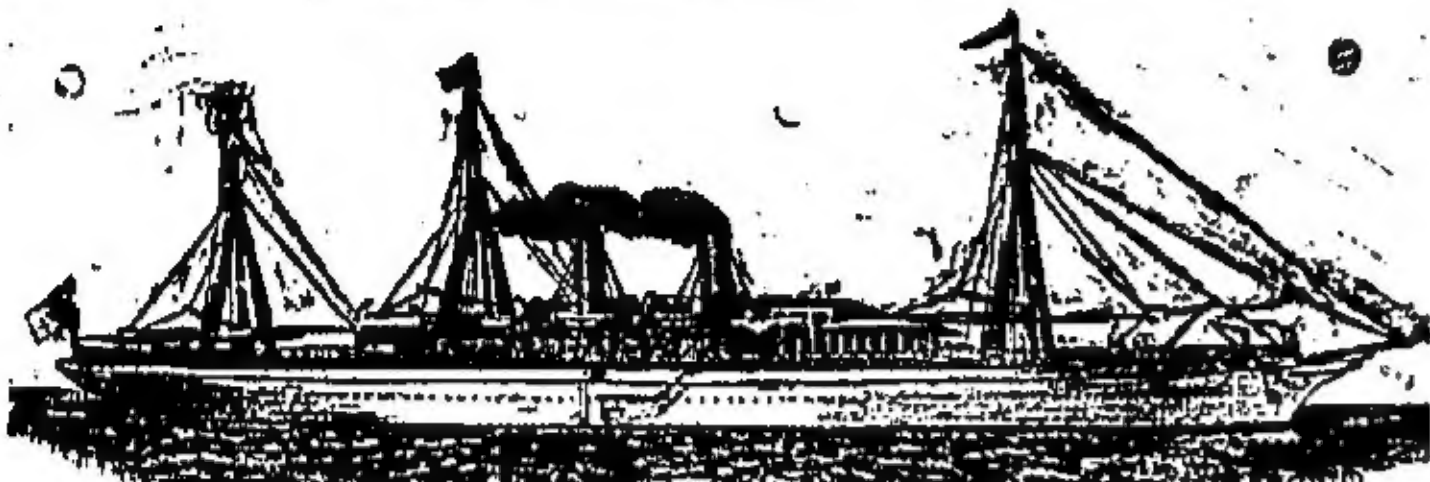
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DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1908.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	SADO MARU, Tons 6297	WEDNESDAY, 5th Feb., Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., AND SEATTLE, U.S.A., Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	SHINANO MARU, Tons 6388	TUESDAY, 4th Feb., at 4 p.m.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, Via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, VILLE AND BRISBANE.	KUMANO MARU, Tons 6076	FRIDAY, 21st Feb., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	SANUKI MARU, Tons 6112	SUNDAY, 26th Jan., at 6 p.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE.	MOYORI MARU, Tons 3773	THURSDAY, 30th Jan., at Noon.

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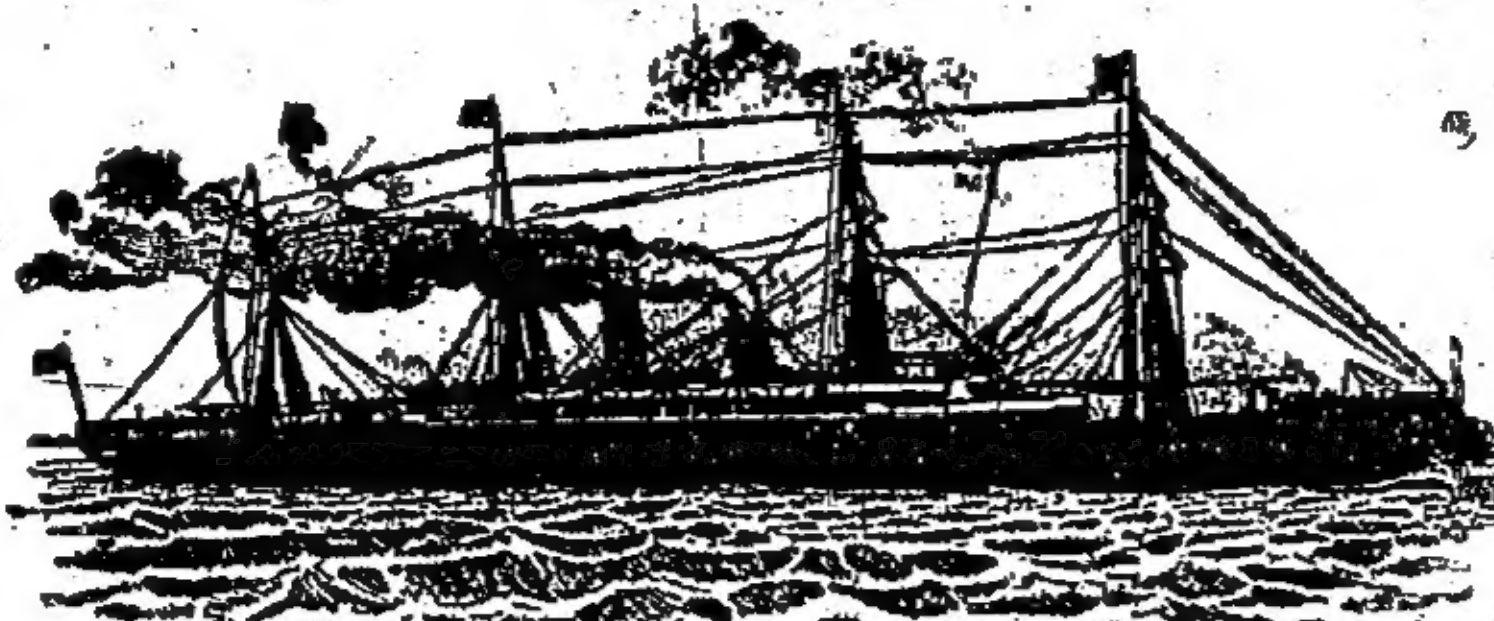
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES, 1908.
AMERICA MARU	11,000 Tons, FRIDAY, 24th Jan., at Noon.
SIBERIA	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 1st Feb., at Noon.
CHINA	10,200 Tons, SATURDAY, 8th Feb., at Noon.
MANCHURIA	17,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 15th Feb., at Noon.
NIPPON MARU	11,000 Tons, FRIDAY, 21st Feb., at Noon.
ASIA	9,500 Tons, SATURDAY, 29th Feb., at Noon.
MONGOLIA MARU	17,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 7th Mar., at Noon.
KOREA	18,000 Tons, FRIDAY, 28th Mar., at Noon.

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Yokohama to San Francisco, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (INLAND SEA), KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 24th January, 1908, at Noon, taking cargo for Japan and the United States.

San Francisco to Honolulu, via SIBERIA, 18,000 tons, August 18th-20th, 1905; 4 days, 19 hours.

San Francisco to Yokohama, via SIBERIA, calling at Midway Islands and Honolulu en-route, August 16th-31st, 1905, 13 days, 13 hours.

Yokohama to San Francisco, via SIBERIA, 18,000 tons, Oct. 18th to 23rd, 1905 10 days, 10 hours and 39 minutes.

THE T. K. K. Steamship AMERICA MARU will be despatched from Hongkong to SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (INLAND SEA), KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 24th January, 1908, at Noon, taking cargo for Japan and the United States.

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STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL ON, 1908.
NUMANTIA	4371	H. FEINMANN	January 28th, at Noon.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	YINGCHOW	Jan. 25, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, CEBU, CANTON, SHANGHAI, HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	YUPEI	Jan. 25, at 4 p.m.
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Steamship	Tons	Captains	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	Saturday, 1908, 25th January.
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Hongkong, April 15, 1907.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	YINGCHOW	SATURDAY, Jan. 25, at Noon.
SINGAPORE & SOERABAYA, ONGANG	YUPEI	SATURDAY, Jan. 25, at 3 p.m.
TRINGTAU & CHIRFOO	CHONGSHING	SATURDAY, Jan. 25, at 4 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALOUTTA	FOOKSANG	TUESDAY, Jan. 28, at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALOUTTA	KUMSANG	FRIDAY, Jan. 31, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, Jan. 31, at 4 p.m.

A Special reduced fare of \$50 for Return Passages will be issued for our Sailings to Manila of the 24th and 31st instant, available for 30 days from date of issued Passengers taking out these tickets are exempt from the Head Tax.

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Hongkong, September 16, 1907.

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Captain FRANK will be despatched on above on SATURDAY, the 25th inst., at Noon.

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Hongkong, January 7, 1908.

CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

A CARNIVAL will be held in MANILA under Government auspices commencing on the 27th FEBRUARY, 1908. As an inducement to Hongkong residents to patronise this important event, besides enjoying a holiday of reasonable length, we have decided to despatch our steamer ZAFIRO for a Special Carnival Trip, leaving Hongkong at 4 p.m., on the afternoon of SATURDAY, the 22nd February. The ZAFIRO will reach Manila on Tuesday morning, and in order that the full round of festivities may be enjoyed we shall not despatch the steamer from Manila until 2 p.m. on the morning of Wednesday, the 3rd March. She will reach Hongkong again at daylight on Thursday, the 6th March.

We have arranged a special fare for this round trip of \$50.00, and Passengers, should they so desire, may make arrangements to remain on board during steamer's stay in Manila.

For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, January 23, 1908.

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STEAMERS	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due at	Due at
to	HONGKONG	from	Colombo	Peninsular
ARCADIA	Jan. 26	VICTORIA	Feb. 22	Feb. 22
PENINSULAR	Feb. 8	MAGDONIA	Mar. 7	Mar. 14
DEVANHA	Feb. 22	BEITANIA	Mar. 21	Mar. 28
DELTA	Mar. 7	MOLTAN	Apr. 4	Apr. 11
MAHMOBA	Mar. 21	through steamer	Apr. 18	Apr. 25
DELHI	Apr. 4	(calling at Bombay)	May 2	May 9
MALTA	Apr. 18	MOLDAVIA	May 16	May 23
DEVANHA	May 2	HIMALAYA	May 30	June 6
OCEANA	May 16	MONGOLIA	June 14	June 21

Passenger change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said. Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking. In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:-

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		HONGKONG		LONDON
* SUNDIA	5000	Jan. 29	March	16
* TALAWAN	5000	Feb. 12	March	30
* NUBIA	5000	March 11	April	17
* MANILA	4500	March 25	May	11
* BOBNEO	5000	April 8	May	22
* NOBE	7000	May 21	June	22
* JAPAN	4500	May 29	July	6
* SUMATRA	5000	June 3	July	20

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

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Steamers	Tons	Captains	To Sail
KUMERIC	6235	Cowley	8th February
SEA WIND	6608	E. V. Roberts	21st February
TYMONT	8506	T. W. Garlick	17th March
SEVERIC	6235	W. Shotton	9th April

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THE Steamer JESERIO, Captain Thompson will leave for above ports on or about SATURDAY, the 23rd January, 1908. For freight apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO., Agents, Hongkong, December 23, 1907. 202

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, ANTWERP AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship FLINTSHIRE will be despatched for the above ports on or about 20th February, 1908. For Freight, etc., apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents, Hongkong, January 23, 1908. 51

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR BOSTON & NEW YORK.

STEAMERS. TO SAIL 1908.

SHIMOSA.....12th February.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship PRINZ HEINRICH, having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and London Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Wednesday, the 15th of January, at Noon. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd of January, will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chipped, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd of January, at 8.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 28th of January, 1908, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELOHRES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1908. 84

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER OCEANIC.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or other ports are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and London Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before MONDAY, the 27th January, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 27th January, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 27th January at 8 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. J. MILLER, Agent.

Hongkong, January 20, 1908. 104

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER PENINSULAR.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and London Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:- From London, &c., or S. S. Britannia and Eikon.

From Persian Gulf, or S. S. S. N. and B. and P. S. N. Co.'s steamers.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 29th January, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within the days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 23, 1908. 123

SITUATION IN PERSIA.

Appeal to The Powers.

TEHRAN, December 17.

In accordance with a resolution adopted by Parliament yesterday, a manifesto is being issued by the Persian people to the foreign Powers. The manifesto declares that the young Shah, influenced by persons accustomed to the old despotic regime, is violating the Constitution, and it appeals to the nations of the world to support the Persian people in defending their rights. The negotiations between the Shah and Parliament have not yet led to any definite result.

The members of the late Cabinet are assembled in council at the Palace, under the presidency of Nizam-ol-Saltaneh. It is reported that Nasir-el Mulk, the ex-Premier, who has left for Europe, has been stopped at Kazvin by the town council. All the shops in Tehran are closed, and no newspapers are published to-day. The post office is also closed. -Reuter.

EXPEDITION TO CENTRAL ASIA.

On November 23 a Russian expedition, headed by the famous Russian traveller, Colonel Kozloff, left Moscow for Central Asia. M. Tchernoff, a geologist of the Moscow University, accompanied Colonel Kozloff, who is attended by four privates of the Moscow Grenadiers and who will be joined at Kinchik by five trans-Baikal Cossacks. The equipment of the expedition will be concluded at Irkutsk and Khabarovsk, where camels and horses will be bought. At the end of December the expedition will leave Khabarovsk for Urgan and the Gobi desert. At the Yellow River the expedition proposes to establish a central point and a station for meteorological observations. The places to be visited are either entirely or almost unknown to European travellers. -St. Petersburg correspondent of the "N. C. Daily News."

AN AUTOMATIC TORPEDO.

The Naval Torpedo School has lately been testing in Nagasaki Bay, near Yokosuka, an automatic torpedo, which is an American invention, states the "Japan Chronicle." It is stated that the inventor applied to the U.S. Navy for the adoption of the torpedo, but after a series of experiments, it was discarded, and the Japanese Navy has purchased the invention for ¥120,000. The results of the tests in Nagasaki Bay are stated to have been satisfactory, but such a test in a small bay, where the water is calm, is regarded as inadequate for deciding the merits of the invention, and we are inclined to doubt the report that the Japanese Government has actually purchased it. The torpedo is to be again tested shortly in the Kii Channel, where the current is very strong and the sea is usually rough.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship Kowloon, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 26th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers.

Hongkong, January 23, 1908. 124

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Butcher Meat.

Beef strictly prime cut-Mel Lung Pa	lb 20
.. Corned-Ham Ngau Yuk	.. 20
.. Ham, Shiu	.. 20
.. Breast-Ngau Lam	.. 15
.. Soup-Tong Yuk	.. 16
.. Steak-Ngau Yuk Pa	.. 20
.. "Onton Ngau Lau Sirkin	.. 30
.. Sausages-Ngau Chung	.. 25
Bullock's Brains	.. Slow
.. Tongue fresh-Ngau Ta	each 50
.. Corned-Ham Ngau Id	.. 55
.. Head-Ngau Tan	.. 80
.. Heart-Ngau Sam	.. lb 12
.. Lump, Salt-Ngau Kin	.. 20
.. Feet-Ngau Kerk	each 7
.. Kidneys-Ngau Yiu	.. 10
.. Tail-Ngau Mei	.. 17
.. Liver-Ngau Con	.. lb 12
.. Tripe (undressed)-Ngau To	.. 7

Calves' Head & Feet-Ngau-chai-tan-kak, set \$1.00

Mutton Chop-Yung Pal Kwat

Leg-Yung Pal

Shoulder-Yung Shan

Pigs' Chikilings-Chi chong

Brains-Chi Know

Feet-Chi Kerk

Fry-Chi Chai

Head-Chi Tan

Heart-Chi Sam

Kidneys-Chi Yiu

Liver-Chi Con

Pork Chop-Chi Pal Kwat

Corned-Ham Cha Yuk

Leg-Cha Pal

Fat or Lard-Cha Yan

Sheep's Head and Feet-Yung Tan Kerk

Heart-Yung Sam

Kidneys-Yung Yiu

Liver-Yung Con

Butcher Pigs To Order-Chi Chai

Suet, Beef-Sang Ngau Yan

Mutton-Sang Yung Yan

Veal-Ngau Chai Yuk

Sausages-Ngau Chai Chong

Poultry.

Chickens-Kai Chai	.. lb 30
Capon, Large, Small-Siu Kai	.. 28
Duck, A	.. 20
Doves-Pan Kau	.. each 15
Eggs, Hen-Kai Tan	.. per dozen 24
Fowls, Canton-Kai	.. lb 28
.. Canton-Hot Nam Kai	.. 28
Geese-Ngai	.. 22
Gos, Wild Sh'at-Siu Yee Ngai	.. pair 65
Mus Deer-Wong Keng	.. each 65
Hare, Shanghai-Tu Chai	.. 55
Partridge-Chi Kai	.. pair 11.00
Khasiat-Shan Kai	.. each 27
Pigeons, Canton-Pak Kap	.. each 27
.. Canton-Hot How Pak Kap	.. 27
Quail-Um Chan	.. 16
Rice Birds-Wo Ya Chouk	.. dozen 20
Snipe-Siu Choy	.. each 20
Turkeys, Cook-Phor Kai Keng	.. 60
.. Hen-Na	.. 45
Wild Ducks, Sh'at-Shanghai Sal-ap	.. pair 55
Teal-Siu Ap Chai	.. 55
Wild Ducks Canton-Sang Shing Sal Ap	.. pair 60

Fish.

Barbel-Ka Yu	.. lb 9
Bream-Bia Yu	.. 13
Canton Fresh Water Fish-Hot Sia Yu	.. 14
Carp-Hi Yu	.. 18
Catfish-Chik Yu	.. 14
Codfish-Mun Yu	.. 24
Crabs-Hai	.. 28
Quail Fish-Muk Yu	.. 13
Dab-Sa Mang Yu	.. 10
Dace-Wong Mei Lun	.. 10
Dog Fish-Tik To So	.. 8
Eels, Congo-Hai Mann	.. 14
.. Fresh water-Tam Sia Yu	.. 14
Eels, Yellow-Wong Sin	.. 24
Frogs-Ton Kai	.. 28
Garoupe-Sek Pan	.. 46
Gudgeon-Pak Kap Yu	.. 11
Horrings-Tao Pak	.. 24
Hallibut-Chung Kwan Kap	.. 24
Labrus-Wong Fa Yu	.. 18
Loach-Wu Yu	.. 28
Lobster-Lung Ha	.. 18
Mackerel-Chi Yu	.. 16
Monk Fish-Mong Yu	.. 24
Mullet-Chai Yu	.. 22
Oysters-Sang Hoe	.. 20
Far Catfish-Kai Kung Yu	.. 14
Perch-Tan Eoo	.. 13
Pike-Fa Paw Pong	.. 8
Plaice-Pan Yu	.. 18
Pomfret-Black-Hak Chong	.. 20
Pomfret, White-Pak Chong	.. 24
Prawn-Ming Fa	.. 48
Ray-Pai Fa	.. 9
Rock Fish-Sek Kau Kung	.. 14
Branch-Chu Yu	.. 28

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